



Executive Department
State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor
Proclamation

State Capitol
Boise

WHEREAS, addiction counselors are uniquely qualified, frontline health care professionals who are indispensable in the process of guiding patients with addictive disorders to recovery; and

WHEREAS, alcohol and drug disorders are a major public health problem that costs American society more than \$300 billion each year, affecting millions of Americans of all ages, races, and ethnic backgrounds and in all communities through treatment, education and prevention programs; and

WHEREAS, chemical dependency is a treatable disease and treatment of addiction is as successful as the treatment of other chronic diseases such as diabetes, hypertension, and asthma; and

WHEREAS, tens of thousands of addiction-focused health care professionals have dedicated their lives to increasing awareness of alcohol and drug disorders and the enhancing the care of individuals, families and communities through treatment, education and prevention programs; and

WHEREAS, the NAADAC invites all residents of Idaho to recognize Addictions Counselor Day;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim September 17, 2003, to be

ADDICTIONS COUNSELOR DAY

in Idaho.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this twenty-fifth day of August in the year of our Lord two-thousand and three and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-eighth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred fourteenth.

A handwritten signature of Dirk Kempthorne in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE
GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature of Devin Isurua in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

DEVIN ISURUA
SECRETARY OF STATE